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WOMAN'S WORLD.

PARIS AGITATED OVER A COSTUME FOR BICYCLING WOMEN.

Mrs. Cleveland at the Theater—An Interesting Foreigner—Women as Swimmers. Are Self Supporting Women in Danger? A Healthy Discussion.

Bicycling has become such a favorite means of locomotion and popular exercise with women in Paris that the subject of costume, appropriate in all its details for this charming occupation, has reached the magnitude of a discussion. The old battle for riding breeches is being repeated in the arguments for and against bicycling trousers. Knowing, as we all do, the fate of the full, long skirted riding habit, it is safe to predict which side will win.

Women are becoming more and more interested in athletic sports and are adapting them to their use and amusement as fast as possible; but, as ever must be the case with women, the question naturally resolves itself into a problem of dress. A distinctive, rational, modest and becoming costume that will display the feminine charms to advantage and at the same time suit itself to the required purposes of a bicycle is an article of perfection which the modern Frenchwoman, even with all her adaptiveness, has not yet invented. She has taken up the sport with all eagerness and interest, but opinions are divided, and the important problem remains unsolved. Meanwhile the costumes vary with the individual preferences and prejudices of the riders. Those who insist on wearing trousers have to endure the discomfort of being stared at as a freak as they pass, while those who wear skirts have to contend with the wind as it catches them and bulges them out in a very immodest manner, so each has its own disadvantage.

The most acceptable trouser suit has thickly plaited zouave knickerbockers put in at the waist like a kilt skirt and falling below the knees in heavy folds. A short zouave jacket and full skirt are worn with them. This gives perfect freedom to the body, cannot be inflated by the wind and does not reveal the outlines of the figure as much as an ordinary riding habit. Other members of the cycling society cling to the feminine skirt, cut quite short. The most graceful dress of all combines the two by substituting for the zouave jacket and skirt a Russian blouse, belted at the waist and giving the appearance of an overskirt reaching half way to the knee.

One of the important factors—to the Frenchwoman—among the attractions of cycling was the possibility of a new and fetching gown, but the difficulties do not seem to be as easy to surmount as she anticipated, and before the question is settled she had better consider the fact that men's clothes are very unbecoming to women. The idea that women ride astride of anything on a bicycle is absurd, as it is not possible. She mounts by placing her right foot on its pedal, and as soon as the machine starts the other pedal comes up to meet the left foot, and the rider is seated as modestly as if she were in her own drawing room.—New York Sun.

Mrs. Cleveland at the Theater.
I saw Mrs. Cleveland the other night at the "Sindbad" ballet and burlesque. She had the front seat in the private box next the stage with Mrs. Carlisle.

Mrs. Cleveland was a well fitting light dress with some dark ruffles. It had no sheer of silk. She was simply dressed and her hair in the bead trimming, now worn like a low coronet or hollow hat.

She was milk faced, like recent young mothers, and correspondingly of full habit. She sat high waisted in her chair, like one tall from the hips up. Her form and bust were those of a married woman, both exhibiting beauty which will not again be fragile or flexible. For a time to come her place and look will be among dames rather than brides. Her hand, when occasionally raised, was white and rather large. The junior Cleverlands, if ever deserving to feel it, will know where it is applied. It was demonstrative of no notable jewelry. Her air, whiteness, composure, sound enjoyment, attention and refined restraint, neither stiff nor effusive, were all of common sense order. Her face, turned to the stage, was generally in profile, and she hardly looked at the audience, which in part knew her, but made no expression of satisfaction nor hardly of curiosity.

No affectations of lorgnette, fanglass, smelling bottle or even opera glass did I see. She kept her seat all the evening, watchful of the piece. Between the acts she talked to Mrs. Carlisle, scarcely bending like one young spouse to an old one. Her behavior became the president's wife, not that she knew she was such, but in the limitations of a natural refinement, and she laughed without a change of position, the laughter of humor rather than fun, the appreciation of the eyes and an unclosing of the mouth, but never carried away. She liked the songs. Her eyes would rove with a bit of light in each toward Mrs. Carlisle. Gath's Washington Letter in Cincinnati Enquirer.

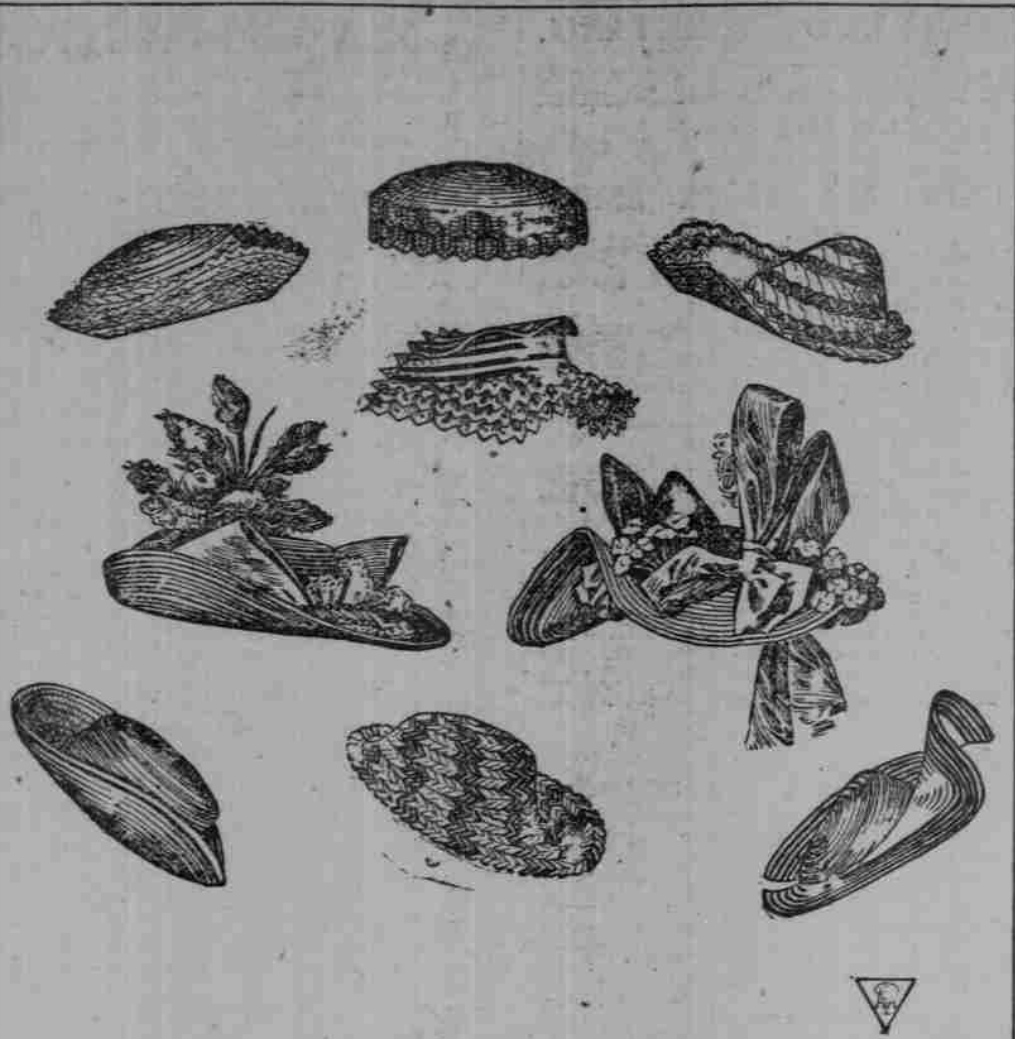
An Interesting Foreigner.
Mme. Tateno, wife of the Japanese minister, is one of the most interesting foreigners in Washington, as her spirit of adaptability has led to her trying in every way to follow the manners and customs of the country of which she is for the time being a resident. Her first efforts were directed to mastering the language, and throughout her stay here she has made a practice of accompanying her husband in his round of calls. At first the minister acted as her interpreter, but although necessarily silent in these interviews the observant little woman was keenly watchful, especially in regard to American customs at luncheons and dinners. It was her ambition to give dinners at which the perfectly conventional settings would be the proof of her own proficiency. This of course

could have been accomplished by putting things in the charge of a caterer and professional waiters, but such a course would not have satisfied the womanly instinct that aspired to personal knowledge. The result of her labor is that Mme. Tateno now enjoys the distinction of being one of the most elegant dinner givers in Washington. The appointments of her table are exquisite, and the menu is always perfect. Before the arrival of her guests Mme. Tateno exercises a critical supervision not only of the table, but of the drawing rooms, in which she takes a justifiable pride, and sees to the arrangements of the flowers in her exquisite Japanese vases.—Kate Field's Washington.

Women as Swimmers.
Swimming has become a fashionable amusement for San Francisco women, and they are proving themselves to be quite as expert as their brothers in mastering the mysteries of this accomplishment. Two mornings each week are set apart at the Olympic club for their special benefit, and the swimming tank is alive with blue jersey suits and caps to match. They are first put through a rudimentary course of instruction, and as soon as they gain confidence they become reckless and take the high dive and back somersault with utter disregard of consequences and to the dismay of the instructor. Their ignorance of how to manage themselves after they strike the water does not deter them from making heroic leaps from the gallery, a distance of 20 feet. While one woman is being rescued from a watery grave another fearless one plunges into the water and flounders there until some one comes to her assistance. The delights of diving have captivated their fancy, and they must dive at any cost. Those who have been practicing for a year have acquired a thorough knowledge of both the practical and theoretical side of the art and are accomplished swimmers, taking the cutaway dive, the arrow dive and back somersaults with grace and ease. They leave their dignity at home and enter into the sport with all the zest that men do, ride on each other's shoulders and execute all sorts of fancy groupings, the most difficult of which is the "float," the latest feature introduced into the class.—San Francisco Letter.

Are Self Supporting Women in Danger?
The tragic death of Miss Martha J. Fuller in her employer's office in New York is a case that deeply concerns the great army of young women who work as clerks in down town buildings. It was Saturday afternoon, and having finished her duties for the week Miss Fuller was preparing to leave for home. A few moments later a shot was heard, and now the question arises as to whether her death is the result of suicide or murder. But whatever later developments may substantiate or disprove the fate of this young stenographer touches working women very nearly. Thousands of girls earn their livings today as typewriters, cashiers, etc., in huge office buildings located in the business centers of all the big cities. Up many flights of stairs, often in small inner rooms, difficult of access, their labors confine them from 9 o'clock in the morning till midnight. These arrangements are safe enough when the full office force is at hand, but think of the perils of such a position at other times. Not to speak of the thieves, tramps and loafers that fairly infest such places, a girl is really at the mercy of any one who plans to take advantage of her helplessness. It is remarkable that cases similar to Miss Fuller's are heard of so seldom, but I should think it might make women look carefully to their safeguards or try as far as possible to insure proper protection.—American Woman.

A Healthy Discussion.
The sermon preached by Rev. J. W. Bradshaw of the Congregational church of Ann Arbor, Mich., on "Some Aspects of Woman Suffrage" created a discussion which has been of much advantage to the cause. The sermon, which was



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published in The Times, was mildly antagonistic. Mr. Bradshaw concedes that women have equal rights with men. "She has the right to herself, to her property, to her fullest self realization in every way." But he thinks that the "function of the suffrage, of lawmaking and law enforcing" is one which does not belong to women. And he is fearful of the consequences to women and to society should women be enfranchised. Particularly is he fearful of the "bad women"—that class which has never expressed the slightest desire for the ballot. The Times, while editorially endorsing the sermon, gave space to several criticisms against it. The Democrat, owned and edited by a bright woman, pointed out its fallacies, and an able and exhaustive reply by Judge N. W. Cheever was published in both papers. The Educational club, E. Cora De Pay president, passed a resolution of thanks to Judge Cheever. Altogether there was a heavy aftermath to the suffrage convention at Ann Arbor, and the straws mostly pointed in the right direction.—Ann Arbor Correspondent.

Poor Shopgirls.
The condition of the shopgirls of New York is pretty bad. Clerks are working for 75 cents a day, and assistants who keep stock and help customers in the fitting rooms and millinery department to take off and put on their dresses, wraps and bonnets get half that sum.

In the carpet, upholstery, white goods, suit and dressmaking departments the earnings for the past three months have been lower than servants' wages. At a recent meeting of the Working Women's club a committee read a report, mentioning firms who are paying skilled hand sewers and machine operators \$3 a week. The worst case was "lace collar-ette making, that pays \$4 every two weeks."—New York World.

Suffrage in New York.
The decision of the New York court of appeals that women are not entitled to vote for school commissioners, a vote which the last legislature gave them, while unexpected, has intense indignation throughout the state. That the right of intelligent citizens to the ballot should thus be handed from legislature to court is enough to rouse the fair New Yorkers in their wrath and in all their power. Dr. Mary Putnam Jacobi is, among others, a very active worker. She has recently declared herself conspicuously in its favor.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Mrs. Mumford.
In a biographical sketch in Woman's Progress the writer makes the following happy commentary upon one of Philadelphia's representative women: "In the somewhat unusual position occupied by Mrs. Mumford, being so often brought prominently before the public, she steers her course with rare tact and discretion, avoiding the shoals that so often lie directly in her path and guiding herself with the same courage and wisdom that she did as a venturesome little girl coasting down the steep, slippery hills of her early New England home."

Appointed on Her Merits.
Dr. Maud J. Frye of Buffalo has been appointed an instructor in the children's department of the Buffalo Medical college. Dr. Frye is a thoroughly competent instructor in that department and was appointed on her merits. The action of the faculty is deemed important, as physicians of the college do not know any precedent for the appointment of a woman instructor except in a women's college.—Buffalo Exchange.

Make Their Own Lace.
English and French women are indulging in the old fashioned fancy for making their own lace trimmings for underwear. At club meetings and afternoon teas making lace is the popular amusement. And young ladies, too, have become imbued with the spirit of industry to the extent of making all the lace and fine network embroidery for their trousseaus.—London Queen.

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